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# MILLER'S GRAPE BOOK AND NURSERY GUIDE

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# Gruits for Victory

J. E. MILLER NURSERIES, NAPLES, NEW YORK

### YOUR GUIDE TO BETTER FRUITS

AS THE NAME IMPLIES our catalog is designed to serve as a guide in aiding you in the selection of the very best varieties of fruits available to-day.

With the exception of some of our very new varieties all of the items listed in this catalog have proven their value in productiveness, hardiness, and general dependability.

We have kept our list of varieties to a minimum so as not to confuse the amateur with a long list of varieties many of which have no practical value.

Finally in compiling our catalog we have refrained from making extravagant claims in regard to varieties listed. Most of the descriptions in this catalog are from our own personal observations gained from our experiences in fruit growing.

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# J. E. MILLER NURSERIES

Located in one of the Nation's great fruit producing areas, The New York Finger Lakes Region

NAPLES, N. Y.



Some of the Commercial Vineyards Belonging to Miller's Nurseries

# HOW WE CONDUCT OUR BUSINESS

We believe that every prospective customer is interested in knowing something of the background and practices of our Nursery before seriously considering the purchase of any nursery stock. The purpose of the brief outline given below is to acquaint you with our past history background; and present practices so that you may feel better acquainted with our modern organization.

The Miller Nurseries are located a few miles north of Naples, New York, our post office address. Here is a beautiful country long famous for its ideal climate for growing the best quality grapes, fruit trees, and nursery stock. Free from damaging spring frosts the long growing seasons extending late into fall add strength and vigor to our trees, plants, and vines.

Fruit growing is not new to us. Our first plantings of grapes were made in 1875 and some of these vines are still producing excellent crops of fruit each year. Since these first plantings of grapes, almost every kind of fruit has been grown commercially. At present our largest plantings of fruit are devoted to grapes, but we still grow a great many kinds of tree fruits commercially.

From our long experience in fruit growing, we feel that we are qualified in recommending and describing the varieties listed in this catalog, so that our customers may have the benefit of the information we have gained in many years of fruit growing.

We maintain extensive test vineyards, both on our original farm at Naples, New York, and on another farm purchased recently in keeping with the growth of our business. All of the new varieties listed in this catalog have been tested over several fruiting seasons before we offer them for sale. In this way we know something of the merits or shortcomings of these new fruits and can base our descriptions accordingly.

Our stock is dug and stored in a specially constructed storage cellar where the trees and plants are kept under the same ideal conditions as if they were growing out-of-doors. This storage cellar is one of the finest and a factor in the high quality and livability of our stock. We are always able to ship stock that is fresh and vigorous.

Plant Grapes that ripen over a long period, August – September – October



The young man in this picture is enjoying Grapes from one of our Bearing Sheridan Vines

# GRAPE CULTURE

The grape is the most interesting and useful of all fruits for the home garden. A few vines will produce a great deal of fresh fruit for home consumption in addition to plenty of fruit for jellies, grape juice, etc.

Few people realize that within the last 20 years a whole series of new varieties have been originated at the New York State Experiment Station which have practically revolutionized grape growing in so far as the home gardener is concerned. As an example, few persons know that Ontario, a new white, and Van Buren, a new blue grape, ripen a full month before Concord and are very useful where the seasons are too short to grow Concord. Our list of grape varieties will amaze the amateur whose knowledge of varieties is limited to Niagara, Delaware, and Concord.

The grape adapts itself well to all types of soils that are well drained and of average fertility. A sunny location is best, but fruit of fair quality may be grown if the vines are partially shaded. The vines should be planted six to eight feet apart. An excellent place to plant a home vineyard is along a garden fence or better still several rows planted along a side of the garden.

Space does not permit us to give here the cultural requirements, the most important of which, is proper pruning. However, we include free, with every order of grape vines shipped, a complete pruning guide that shows by easily understandable illustrations how

to prune grapes properly, how to erect the trellis; also when to cultivate, best fertilizers to use, and information about spraying.

Grape vines may be planted with equal success both in spring or fall. We send along a free illustrated instruction sheet showing how to plant grape vines giving proper depth to plant, size of holes, and how to prune before planting.

For the home gardener we recommend strong two year old vines, although the bearing age vines offered in some varieties bear a little sooner if given proper care. Under good conditions fruit is produced the first year after planting, increasing each year thereafter. Commercial growers often prefer one year old vines and for the commercial vineyardist they are just as good as two year vines.

We send free planting, pruning and cultural instructions with each order.

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May 17, 1942

We have been very pleased with the beautiful healthy trees and vines you sent us and are well worth the money paid for them.

I am interested in English Walnuts and do any grow in this northern climate. Thank you again, we will be glad to recommend your firm to everyone.

> Sincerely, MRS. ALBERT HUDEC, 16026 Friend Ave., Maple Heights, Bedford, Ohio.

### LIST OF GRAPE VARIETIES

We have arranged the following kinds of grapes in their order of ripening. Ripening dates given are for an average season in our own vineyards in western New York.

### VERY EARLY GRAPES (August 20-27)

**New VAN BUREN—Blue.** Earliest blue grape. Excellent quality, clusters medium, attractive, well formed. Valuable for planting where seasons are too short for growing later kinds. Vigorous, hardy, productive. (Supply limited.)

2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each  $75\phi$ ; 10 for \$6.50; 1 yr., each  $70\phi$ ; 10 for \$6.00.

**ONTARIO—White.** New, earliest white grape. Clusters large loosely formed, best quality, sweet, highly flavored. Vine vigorous, hardy, productive. One of the best for home use.

2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each 30¢; 10 for \$2.50; 100 for \$12.00.

**SENECA—White.** This new California European type grape represents great achievement in modern plant breeding. Fruit is firm, crisp, delicately flavored and may be eaten with skin as California grapes. The vine is as hardy as our native grapes. The yellowish berries are medium sized, cluster medium to large. Will keep to December if picked and stored in a cool place.

2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each  $75\phi$ ; 10 for \$6.50; 1 yr., each  $70\phi$ ; 10 for \$6.00.

**PORTLAND—White, New.** Cluster and berries large. Fruit of good quality, very sweet, equal to Niagara but ripens 3 weeks earlier. Vigorous, hardy, very productive. Requires close pruning to prevent overbearing.

2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each  $30\phi$ ; 10 for \$2.50; 100 for \$12.00; 1 yr. Vines  $5\phi$  less per vine.

**FREDONIA—New Blue.** Large compact clusters and large berries covered with a beautiful blue bloom. Very productive, hardy, vigorous. Quality good. One of the best for commercial or home use.

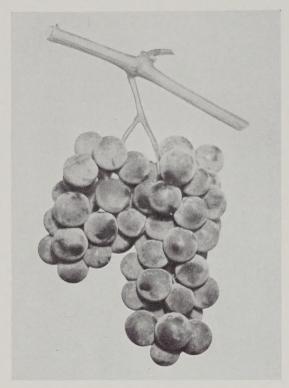
2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each 30¢; 10 for \$2.50; 100 for \$12.00; 1 yr. Vines 5¢ less each.

In order to enjoy grapes over a long season we suggest that you select several varieties from each group starting with very early and extending as late as practical.

Please write for lower prices on large quantities.



A View of Canandaigua Lake from Miller's Nurseries, Naples, N. Y.



Fredonia

# EARLY GRAPES

## (September 1-10)

Prices of all varieties in early grape group. 2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each  $30\phi$ ; 10 for \$2.50; 100 for \$12.00; 1 yr. No. 1 Vines, each  $25\phi$ ; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$7.50.

**DELAWARE—Red.** Clusters medium, compact, attractive. Fruit excellent in quality, perhaps the best of all red grapes. Vine hardy and productive. Vigorous on good soils. No planting is complete without a few vines of this fine variety.

BRIGHTON – Red. A sweet, highly flavored grape of excellent quality. Clusters are large, berries medium. Very vigorous, hardy, productive. Needs other varieties planted with it because of self sterility. We recommend Brighton and Delaware as about the best of the red grapes with the possible exception of some of the very new sorts.

WORDEN—Blue. A showy grape of exceptional quality. Fruit is very sweet, juicy, highly flavored. Clusters and berries large. Very hardy, productive. Needs close pruning. One of the best blue grapes for the home.

**DIAMOND–White.** A very hardy grape that is productive and of good quality. Clusters medium, compact. Medium sized berries are crisp, and juicy.

**LUCILE.** The hardiest of all grapes. Will stand 30 degrees below zero without injury. Clusters large, compact, quality fair. Very vigorous and productive.

**ELVIRA—White.** Clusters medium, compact. Very hardy productive. Quality fair. Used chiefly for wine making.

# MID-SEASON GRAPES (September 15-25)

Prices for all varieties in mid-season group except Concord and Brocton.

2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each 30¢; 10 for \$2.50; 100 for \$12.00.

1 yr., No. 1 Vines, each 25¢; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$7.50.

**WESTFIELD—New Blue.** Useful chiefly for making grape juice, jellies, wine. Not a table variety in any sense. Juice of Westfield is twelve times as dark as that of Concord. Excellent for coloring wines, grape juice, jellies. Clusters medium. Berries large. Hardy, vigorous, and productive.

NIAGARA—White. Best known white grape. Clusters and berries large. Quality very good, sweet, juicy. Vine vigorous, hardy, productive.

**BROCTON—New White.** Deliciously flavored, crisp, juicy. Large attractive clusters with medium berries. Vine is a rather poor grower. Should be planted on good soil and fertilized. Vine is hardy and productive.

Prices: 2 yr., each  $60\phi$ ; 10 for \$5.50; 1 yr., each  $55\phi$ ; 10 for \$5.00.

We pay the postage on grape vines when ordered at each and ten rates.

**CONCORD – Blue.** The most widely grown commercial variety. Fine for jellies and grape juice. Vine very vigorous, hardy, and productive.

Prices: 2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each  $25\phi$ ; 10 for \$1.90; 100 for \$8.00; 1 yr., each  $20\phi$ ; 10 for \$1.75; 100 for \$6.00.

**DUTCHESS—White.** Cluster large, very compact, firm. Berries are crisp, medium sized, of the California type. Quality excellent. One of the best white varieties.

**CACO—Red.** A comparatively new grape with large red berries. Clusters medium. Fruit is very sweet and well flavored. Vine very vigorous.

**EUMELAN-Blue.** An old variety of high quality with light blue medium to large clusters. One of the best wine grapes and also very good for eating.

**IVES—Dark Blue.** A purely wine variety used extensively for making Port wines. Vine produces large crops, vigorous, hardy.

**CLINTON – Blue.** Tests have proven that Niagara and Delaware grafted on Clinton roots have yielded 30% more fruit over a 10-year period. One of the best for use as a root stock for grafting. Vine very vigorous. Clusters medium. Berries small. Quality fair.



Sheridan

**SALEM—Red.** A large red grape of good quality. Fruit is spicy, sweet, well flavored. Clusters large. Vine moderately vigorous. A good cropper.

# LATE GRAPES (September 25-30)

**GOLDEN MUSCAT—White.** An amazing new variety producing huge clusters of golden delicious fruit. Very similar to the California grapes but produced on a vine that is hardy in cold regions. Mature vines in our vineyards each year produce clusters weighing 1½ to 2 pounds. Berries are oval, and a beautiful light golden color when fully matured. Quality is excellent, sweet, juicy, and highly flavored. Vine is vigorous, hardy, and a good producer. Needs a long season to ripen fully but is well worth a trial wherever it has a possible chance of succeeding. (See illustration back cover.)

Prices: 2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each 65¢; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.90; 100 for \$32.50. 1 yr., No. 1 Vines, each 60¢; 3 for \$1.70; 10 for \$5.40; 100 for \$28.00.

**SHERIDAN—Blue.** The best late blue grape and one of the finest of all grapes. Will keep in good condition until after Christmas. Clusters and berries are very large, compact. Quality excellent. Very sweet delicately flavored. Vigorous, hardy and so productive that it requires close pruning to prevent overbearing.

Prices: 2 yr., each 30¢; 10 for \$2.50; 100 for \$12.00. 1 yr., each 25¢; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$8.00

ISABELLA—Blue. One of the oldest varieties. Bunches and berries medium. Vine vigorous, hardy, and productive. Excellent for preserves and wine making.

Prices: 2 yr., each 30¢; 10 for \$2.50; 100 for \$12.00.

**AGAWAM-Red.** Clusters and berries large. Quality good, very spicy flavor. Vigorous and productive.

Prices: 2 yr., each  $30\phi$ ; 10 for \$2.50; 100 for \$12.00.

March, April and May are the best months to plant grape vines in spring.

# VERY LATE GRAPES (October 1-15)

CATAWBA—Red. Cluster large, well formed. Quality very good. One of the best late red grapes. Keeps well after picking until late December.

Prices: 2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each 30¢; 10 for \$2.50; 100 for \$12.00. 1 yr., No. 1 Vines, each 25¢; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$7.00.

**KEUKA—New Red.** California type. Clusters and berries medium. Quality very good. Fruit is crisp and firm with distinctive flavor. Vine is a rather poor grower and should be planted on good soil.

Prices: 2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each  $55\phi$ ; 10 for \$5.00.

**URBANA**—**Red.** A handsome new red grape with large clusters and berries that keep well into late winter. Excellent quality. Flavor sweet and crisp. Very vigorous, productive, hardy.

Prices: 2 yr., No. 1 Vines, each 35¢; 10 for \$3.00; 100 for \$18.00. 1 yr., No. 1 Vines, each 30¢; 10 for \$2.50; 100 for \$13.00.



This picture shows how we train our vines and arrangement of wire trellis

# BEARING AGE GRAPE VINES

These are our very finest. Selected for exceptionally strong top and root growth. With good care these will bear a few clusters the first year after planting.

Available this year in the following varieties:

N	ew Varieties	Other kinds at th	e following prices:
SHERIDAN	each 55¢; 3 for \$1.45	each 45¢; 3 for \$1.25.	
PORTLAND	each $55\phi$ ; 3 for \$1.45	CONCORD	DUTCHESS
FREDONIA	each 55¢; 3 for \$1.45	CATAWBA	DIAMOND
ONTARIO	each $55\phi$ ; 3 for \$1.45	NIAGARA	LUCILE
WESTFIELD	each 55¢; 3 for \$1.45	BRIGHTON	AGAWAM
URBANA	each 60¢; 3 for \$1.55	IVES	SALEM

Our supply is rather limited this year. We suggest ordering early.

### THESE ARE NEW THIS YEAR

We are listing for the first time seven new varieties of grapes. All but one of these was originated at the New York State Experiment Station, at Geneva, New York, which has done outstanding work in the development of new and better varieties of fruits. We have grown all of these varieties in our test vineyards and have watched them fruit for several seasons. Our descriptions are based on our own observations during this period. New varieties of fruits are indispensable in creating new markets, maintaining interest and progress in fruit growing. Many of the kinds listed below show promise of becoming valuable additions to our list of worthwhile sorts but need further testing before they can be definitely recommended for planting in other parts of our country under varying conditions.

**ATHENS–Blue.** Clusters and berries large, loosely formed, attractive. Quality very good, sweet, juicy, pleasing flavor. Ripens September 1st. Vine vigorous, hardy, and has produced well. Shows great promise of being a valuable early variety.

Prices: each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.75.

**EDEN—Blue.** Clusters large, long, loosely formed. Quality excellent. Berries medium, firm, crisp, spicy, highly flavored. Vine is vigorous but to date has been only moderately productive. This fault may be overcome as the vine grows older as is often the case. Ripens about with Concord.

Prices: each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.75.

**SEIBEL No. 1000—Blue.** This is purely a wine or juice sort unexcelled for this purpose. Cluster large, long, compact. Berries medium, firm. This variety came from France and is just coming into favor here as a superior wine variety. Vine is vigorous, very productive, hardy, needs close pruning. Ripens September 25th.

Prices: each  $75\phi$ ; 10 for \$7.00; 100 for \$35.00.

**BRONX SEEDLESS—Red.** This new red grape is the best seedless variety available to-day. Clusters are large, very long, attractive. Some of bearing vines produced clusters this year 12 inches long. Berries large, entirely seedless, firm, crisp. May be eaten with skin as California grapes. We rate it as excellent in quality. Vine vigorous, hardy, productive. Ripens September 20th.

Prices: each \$1.25; 3 for \$3.50.

**RUBY—Red.** A strikingly handsome grape with large brilliant red clusters. Quality is unsurpassed. Medium berries are crisp, rich, sweet, with pleasingly refreshing flavor. Vines are hardy and productive but has been a poor grower in our test vineyards. Must be planted on good soils, fertilized and given good care. The extra fine quality of the fruit should be worth the extra effort. Ripens September 25th.

Prices: each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.75.

YATES—Red. A new red grape of exceptionally good quality. Clusters large, attractive, compact. Berries large, light red, sweet, firm like California varieties. Vine is vigorous and productive. Ripens October 1–5th. An excellent red sort that we rate as one of the best red grapes. Will keep well when stored until late winter.

Prices: each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.75.

**HECTOR—Red.** A late ripening variety with attractive medium clusters and berries. Quality fair to good. To attain best quality should be planted in more southern regions. Vine vigorous, hardy, and productive. Ripens October 20th.

Prices: each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.75.

We have only a very few vines of some of the above varieties.

Orders will be filled in rotation received as long as our supply lasts.

## GRAPES RECOMMENDED FOR SPECIFIC USES

**TABLE AND ROADSIDE MARKETS** Brighton, Fredonia, Keuka, Ontario, Portland, Seneca, Caco, Worden, Golden Muscat, Niagara, Lucile, Delaware, Dutchess, Brocton, Salem, Sheridan, Van Buren.

UNFERMENTED GRAPE JUICE AND JELLIES Fredonia, Ontario, Worden, Westfield, Concord, Sheridan, Van Buren, and Catawba.

WINE Delaware, Dutchess, Sheridan, Catawba, Westfield, Clinton, Isabella, Ontario, Ives, and Golden Muscat.

### GROW YOUR OWN FRUIT AT HOME

A carefully planned garden to provide plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables at low cost should receive serious consideration in making your plans for the coming year. In planning your fruit garden it must be remembered that the original planting will continue to produce for years to come. In these times of uncertainty wise planning of this nature will go a long way in making the future more secure. For whatever may come, the trees and plants in your garden will continue to grow, blossom, and produce fruit.

### MINIMUM NUMBER OF PLANTS REQUIRED FOR AN AVERAGE FAMILY

**Grapes:** 12 vines for jelly, grape juice, fresh fruit.

**Raspberries:** 40 to 75 plants, to supply fresh fruit, jellies, jams, canning.

**Strawberries:** 50 to 100 plants for canning, jams, preserves.

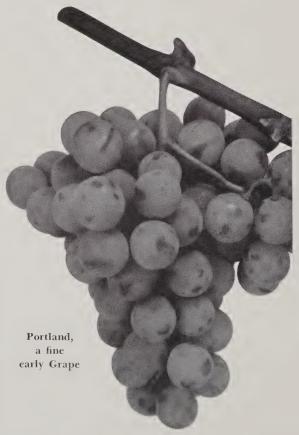
Currants: 6 to 8 plants for jellies, etc.

Fruit Trees: 2 peaches, 2 apples, 2 pears, 2 cherries, 1 prune.

Nut Trees: 3 Filberts, 2 Black Walnut, 1 English Walnut.

### PLANTING DISTANCES

Grapes	-8	feet
Apples	30	feet
Peaches	15	feet
Sweet Cherries	25	feet
Sour Cherries	18	feet
Apricots	15	feet
Filbert Nuts	16	feet
Quinces	15	feet
Plums	18	feet
Raspberries and Blackberries	3	feet
Strawberries	1	foot
Currants	-1	feet
Pears	20	feet
Walnuts	40	feet



### ORDER EARLY

### 15% EXTRA STOCK FREE

on all orders postmarked on or before February 28, 1943 totaling \$3.00 or more.

After This Date we will allow a selection of 10% extra stock on all orders of \$3.00 or more postmarked on or before April 5, 1943.

(Note: These offers apply only to cash orders at catalog prices.)

### PLANNING VICTORY FRUIT GARDENS

The size of the garden and the varieties planted will depend, of course, on the amount of land available. We realize that many people have only small plots of ground. For these we recommend small fruits — grapes, berries, strawberries, and currants. These small fruits require less space than fruit trees, yield a large quantity of fruit in a very short time after planting and are not only very tasty but have a wide range of uses.

Where large gardens or plots of ground are available, we recommend planting fruit trees along with the various small fruits. This list should consist of apples, pears, plums, peaches, and cherries. A few nut trees will add variety and produce a quantity of nuts that have a high food value besides possessing delicious eating qualities. Varieties of fruit should be planted that ripen in succession over a long period so that an adequate supply is available throughout the summer and fall months.

### FREE WITH EACH ORDER

A 16-page booklet, "How To Plant".

This booklet is a valuable aid to gardeners because of its complete directions for planting and care.

SPECIAL planting and pruning instructions are included with all orders of grapevines. These contain complete information, beginning with the planting of the vines and continuing through to the care of mature vines, all important cultural procedures are explained and illustrated.

We pay transportation charges on all orders totaling \$20.00 or more when ordered at catalog prices.



# EARLY BEARING FRUITS FOR VICTORY GARDENS

# SPECIAL VICTORY GRAPE COLLECTION

Designed to meet your essential needs for:
GRAPE JUICE TABLE USE

JELLIES

Make your own selection of varieties from the ones below:

FREDONIA PORTLAND
ONTARIO DELAWARE
WORDEN BRIGHTON
CONCORD AGAWAM
NIAGARA

12 strong 2 yr. vines. Special price: \$2.75 (postpaid).

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# BEARING AGE GRAPE COLLECTION

We offer five of our best varieties useful for Grape Juice, Jellies, and Table Use.

ONTARIO Your choice
PORTLAND of
CONCORD varieties
FREDONIA 5 vines \$2.25
BRIGHTON (postpaid)

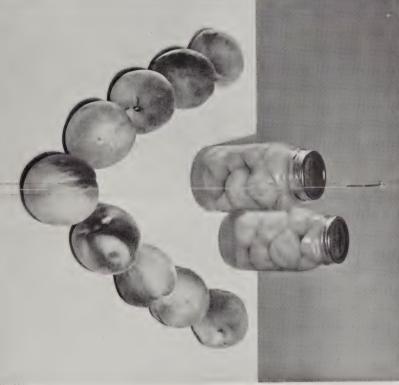
Special pruning instructions with each order to show in easily-to-follow diagrams how to prune for fruit first year after planting.



BY PLANTING THE EARLY BEARING FRUITS
WHICH WE HAVE SELECTED FOR THEIR
PRACTICAL VALUE YOU CAN HELP
THE NATION'S WAR EFFORT
AND SECURE YOUR OWN
SUPPLY OF FRUIT
INDEPENDENT
OF OUTSIDE







# OUR LARGEST SIZE TREES Peaches bear the earliest of all tree fruits

SPECIAL VICTORY PEACH

COLLECTION

# 5 BEST CANNING PEACHES

GOLDEN JUBILEE

HALE HAVEN

ELBERTA

SOUTH HAVEN

J. H. HALE

Good Decided Any 5

your selection

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We can ship these parcel post by pruning back tops slightly. Average postage to New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, Vermont, and Massachusetts, 20¢ to 25¢. If you live on a rural route or have no express delivery, we will be glad to ship parcel post if it will save your tires a trip.

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# SPECIAL BERRY COLLECTION

These will bear this year. All plants strong 2 yr, transplants and should not be compared with one year tips that take one year longer before bearing.

# YOUR CHOICE OF VARIETIES

INDIAN SUMMER
TAYLOR
CUMBERLAND
BRISTOL
LATHAM
ELDORADO

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Any 15
of
these plants
\$1.65
(postpaid)

### EARLY BEARING FRUIT TREES

Extra Large Size, 4 Year, 7-8 Feet Tall. Well Branched Tops with Fruit Buds. Straight, Sturdy Trunks and Heavy Root Systems

These trees have already fruited in the nursery and have been grown long enough to develop many fruit buds. However, it takes about one year for these to become established in new locations. If given good care and carefully planted these will bear fruit the first year after planting.

### FRUITING AGE APPLES

Available in:

CORTLAND

McINTOSH BALDWIN HYSLOP CRAB TOLMAN SWEET

Each \$1.50; 3 for \$4.15; 8 for \$10.00; (not prepaid).

(Descriptions of varieties on page 13)

When planting these trees it is necessary to dig a larger hole than is required for smaller standard two year old trees. Bearing size trees have a large well developed root system and for successful planting the roots should not be crowded into a small hole. Tread ground firmly around the roots, leaving no air spaces. If well planted it should require a strong man to uproot the tree.

### PEARS

Available in:

SECKEL BARTLETT BEURRE BOSC CLAPPS FAVORITE

Each \$1.50; 3 for \$4.15; 8 for \$10.00; (not prepaid).

(Descriptions of varieties on page 15)

# SUPER SIZE PLUM AND CHERRY TREES

Large, sturdy trees; trunks 1-inch in diameter and up; height 6 feet and taller with well branched shapely tops; extra heavy roots insuring rapid growth after planting; our very finest. The largest size trees that are practical to use for successful planting in the kinds of fruit are listed below.

### EXTRA SIZE CHERRIES

SENECA BLACK TARTARIAN YELLOW SPANISH EARLY RICHMOND NAPOLEON SCHMIDTS BIGGAREAU MONTMORENCY

Each \$1.35; 3 for \$3.80; 8 for \$9.50; (not prepaid). (Complete descriptions of varieties on page 14)

### EXTRA SIZE PLUMS

BURBANK ABUNDANCE REINE CLAUDE STANLEY FELLEMBURG Each \$1.35; 3 for \$3.80; 8 for \$9.50; (not prepaid).

(Complete descriptions on page 17)

Buying by Mail is a Convenient Way to Shop-It Is the Tireless Way

### APPLES

RED ASTRACHAN. A tarty red apple. Excellent for pies and cooking. Ripens mid August. Tree bears young. One of the best early sorts.

EARLY McINTOSH. New handsome red apple. Tree very productive. Fruit medium to large, well flavored, resembling its parent McIntosh. Ripens mid to late August. An excellent early apple which we recommend for all home plantings.

RED DELICIOUS. A fine dessert variety. Turns completely red before ripe. Large size, wonderful quality, has a delightful aroma, and a wonderful flavor. Ripens October. A very good variety for the home or commercial orchard.

McINTOSH. One of the most popular apples. Tree vigorous, bears young and is very hardy. Quality of the best. Delicious aromatic flavor, beautiful, large, bright red apple. Recommended for commercial and home plantings. Ripens September.

CORTLAND. An improved McIntosh ripening about two weeks later. Large, beautiful dark red, flesh melting, fine grained, juicy. A superior dessert variety. Should be included in all home and commercial plantings.

TOLMAN SWEET. Yellow tinged with red. Large. Very sweet. Hardy and productive. Best sweet apple. (Available in bearing size only.)

HYSLOP CRAB. Large, bright colored. This Crab apple is regarded as the best. (Available in bearing size only.)

**NORTHERN SPY.** One of our best known and most delicious apples. Fruit always brings a high price. Tree very vigorous and hardy. Ripens late October or early November.

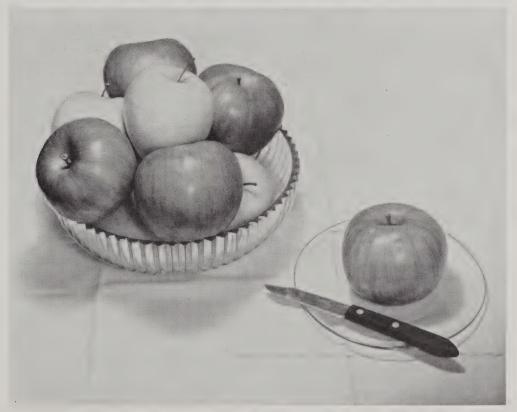
R. I. GREENING. Noted for its fine cooking qualities. Flesh is yellow, quality good. Tree is vigorous and productive. Keeps well in storage. An important commercial variety.

BALDWIN. No apple has yet been found to take the place of this fine variety. Large, round, bright red, good keeping apple. Noted for its eating and cooking qualities. Ripens in October. Recommended for commercial plantings.

Prices: Strong 2 year trees, 5 feet and up, each  $85\phi$ ; 3 for \$2.25; 12 for \$8.50; (not prepaid).

We offer only one grade - The Best.

April and May are the best months to plant apple and other fruit trees.



Apples provide a source of delicious fresh fruit through the fall and winter months

### SWEET AND SOUR CHERRIES

**SENECA.** New very early. Ripens early June. Fruit medium, purplish black, with juicy melting flesh and rich sweet flavor. Tree vigorous, productive. A fine variety for home planting.

YELLOW SPANISH. Fruit large, red cheeked, meaty, firm, sweetly flavored. Tree hardy and a heavy bearer. Ripens late June. One of the best canning cherries.

**NAPOLEON** (**ROYAL ANN**). A beautiful yellow cherry with a bright red cheek. Flesh is firm, juicy, very sweet and fine flavored. Bears heavily. An excellent canning variety. Tree is vigorous, well shaped. Recommended for commercial and home planting.

**BLACK TARTARIAN.** A large black meaty cherry that is well-known everywhere for its sweet flavored fruit. Tree vigorous and a heavy bearer. Ripens middle to late June.

**SCHMIDT'S BIGGAREAU.** An extra large cherry with a deep, rich, mahogany color. Flesh dark, fine grained, tender, with a pleasing sweet flavor. Fruit grows in clusters. Tree vigorous, very productive. Ripens in July.

*IMPORTANT*. Cross pollination is essential with all sweet cherries. Always plant two or more kinds together to insure proper pollination. Seneca and Black Tartarian are two of the best pollinators for all sweet cherries.

**EARLY RICHMOND—Sour.** An old tried and true that is fine for cooking and canning. Tree is very hardy and productive. Fruit is of the best quality. Recommended for home use.

**LARGE MONTMORENCY.** The finest sour or pie cherry grown. The leading commercial canning cherry. The fruit is extra fine in flavor and its brilliant red flesh is very appealing to the eye. A heavy annual bearer. As a superior variety for making those delicious pies and preserves plant Montmorency.

NOTE. Sour cherries are self-fruitful and do not require pollinators.

Prices: Strong 2 yr. trees, 5 feet and up, each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.80; 12 for \$9.50; (not prepaid). We offer one grade —  $The\ Best.$ 

ORDER EARLY THIS YEAR. (See discount offers, page 9.)



Cherries one of best fruits for canning

### **PEARS**

Listed in Order of Ripening

**CLAPPS FAVORITE.** Large yellow Pear with red cheek. Flesh juicy, fine texture, sweet with fine flavor. Tree is hardy and productive. Ripens middle to late August.

BARTLETT. Fruit large yellow, juicy, highly flavored. Unexcelled for canning. Tree vigorous and very productive. Ripens late August.

**SECKEL.** Fruit small. Best quality of all Pears. Exceptionally sweet, juicy, delicately flavored. Coppery red to golden brown. Tree is rather a slow grower but very hardy and productive. Ripens September 1st.

**BUERRE BOSC.** A large gourd shaped Pear, russet bronze in color. Quality of the best, sweet, rich, fine grained, with fine flavor. One of the best long keeping varieties. Tree hardy, productive. Ripens late September.

POLLINATION. Plant two or more different varieties to insure adequate pollination.

Prices: Strong 2 yr. sturdy trees, 5 feet and up, each  $85\phi$ ; 3 for \$2.25; 12 for \$8.50; (not prepaid).

We offer one size - The Largest and Best. Fruiting Age Trees Page 12.

### **APRICOTS**

Apricots are not difficult to grow and the fruit is highly prized for making preserves, canning, and home use. The trees are also very ornamental, producing a mass of white blossoms in early spring.

HARRIS. A medium sized English variety, oblong, with meaty, orange flesh of good quality. Hardy in New York State. Prolific. Tree productive. Best early variety. Ripens middle of July.

MOORPARK. A very large attractive apricot with a red cheek. Best quality and richest flavor of all apricots. Tree hardy and productive. Ripens early August. Recommended for home use and roadside markets.

Prices: Strong 2 yr. trees, 4 feet and up, each  $95\phi$ ; 3 for \$2.65; 6 for \$5.00; (not prepaid).

# **QUINCE TREES**

Quinces require very little space and produce abundantly. We offer the best variety available to-day for making jelly and preserves.

ORANGE. Bright vellow, fine grained and large. The most popular and satisfactory variety.

Prices: 2 yr., 4 to 5 feet, each  $90\phi$ ; 3 for \$2.50; (not prepaid).

### PLANTING SEASONS

We recommend both spring and fall planting. They are equally good. Fall planting should be done in November or early December. We cannot make fall shipments before November 1st.

More planting is done in the spring, and for spring planting April and May are best in this part of New York State.

We recommend ordering in advance of planting dates – the earlier the better.

We pay all shipping charges on orders totaling \$20.00 or more when ordered at catalog prices.

### **PEACHES**

The most rapid in habit of growth and earliness in bearing of all tree fruits.

**GOLDEN JUBILEE.** New large yellow freestone. Ripens from middle to late August. Flesh is tender, fine grained, juicy, and excellent quality. The best early yellow peach. Excellent for canning and home use. Tree productive, hardy.

**ROCHESTER.** An early, large yellow peach with an attractive red blush. A fine canning peach. It is an early and prolific bearer, ripening in early September. Freestone.

**HALE HAVEN—New.** Fruit is large, yellow with red cheek, freestone. Flesh firm, juicy, very sweet, and richly flavored. Ripens September 1st to 5th. Tree is very productive, hardy. One of the best canning peaches of all.

**ELBERTA.** Best known yellow canning peach. Freestone. Fruit large, attractive, good in quality. Ripens early September. Tree hardy, productive.



A fruiting branch of Golden Jubilee taken in our bearing orchards, fall 1942

**BELLE OF GEORGIA.** The best known white variety. Fruit is large with showy red cheek, flesh juicy, with pleasing flavor. Tree hardy and productive. Ripens middle of September.

**SOUTH HAVEN.** A large golden yellow peach. Flesh firm, sweet, juicy, fine flavored. Excellent for canning and home use. Freestone. Tree hardy and very productive. Ripens September 1st.

**J. H. HALE.** Extra large yellow. Freestone. Free from fuzz. Flesh very firm, sweet, juicy. One of the best for canning. Needs to be interplanted with other varieties as it is self-sterile. Tree hardy and productive. Ripens September 10th.

Prices: Strong, well rooted trees with sturdy tops, each  $60\phi$ ; 3 for \$1.65; 12 for \$5.75; (not prepaid).

(See special Peach collection, page 11.)

### PLUMS AND PRUNES

Plums and Prunes are easy to grow, bear at an early age and are noted for their high quality fruits. Plant more than one variety to insure proper pollination.

**ABUNDANCE.** Medium size red plum with yellow flesh. Sweet and juicy. A good early plum for home use. Tree hardy and productive. Ripens August 20th to 27th.

**BURBANK.** Fruit large, dark red. Skin thin, covered with heavy bloom. Flesh yellow, juicy, tender, and sweet. Tree large, spreading, productive. Ripens late August.

**SHROPSHIRE DAMSON.** Small purplish black with heavy blue bloom. Excellent for preserves, jams. Tree very productive. Ripens early September.

**REINE CLAUDE.** Fruit large, roundish-oval with red blush. Yellow fleshed, firm, sweet, highly flavored. Very productive. One of the best later plums ripening middle to late September.

**STANLEY PRUNE—New.** Fruit large, prune shaped, bluish purple, very attractive. Flesh yellow, juicy, sweet, richly flavored. Tree large spreading, productive. Bears young. We like Stanley and Fellemburg the best of all prunes for home and commercial use. Ripens early September.

**FELLEMBURG PRUNE.** Fruit large, oval, purple. Flesh yellow, firm, sweet, fine grained and tender. Tree very productive, spreading, hardy. A delicious prune for eating out of hand, canning, and preserves. Ripens early to middle September.

(See page 12 for extra size trees.)

Prices of standard trees, sturdy trunks, well branched tops: each  $90\phi$ ; 3 for \$2.50; 12 for \$8.50; (not prepaid).

We offer one grade - The Largest and Best.

IMPORTANT: If no express deliveries are made at your home and your ration card will not permit extra trips by car — WRITE US. We can arrange to ship orders of fruit trees by parcel post. We will have to prune back the tops but the trees will come pruned ready for planting.

### **CURRANTS**

**RED LAKE.** A new variety with large dark red berries on long well filled stems. Very hardy and productive. Bears over a long season, July 1st to 20th.

Prices: 2 yr. bushes, each 35¢; 3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.50; (postpaid).

WILDER: A favorite with commercial growers. Large clusters and berries, bright red. Excellent quality. Hangs well on bushes. Ripens July 5th.

Prices: 2 yr. bushes, each  $30\phi$ ; 3 for  $85\phi$ ; 12 for \$3.00; (postpaid).

(These plants will bear first year after planting.)

### QUARANTINE ON CURRANTS

Currants cannot be shipped to the states of Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

### RASPBERRIES



Taylor, New Red

We take great pride in the quality of our berry plants. All varieties listed are available only in strong two year transplants. These plants have been grown two years and have strong root systems and large tops. We can truthfully say that these plants will produce a quantity of fruit the first year planted. While they are slightly higher in price than one year tip plants there really is no comparison in the quality. One year plants are much smaller, take a year longer to bear, and do not respond as well when transplanted.

**INDIAN SUMMER—Red.** New everbearing raspberry. First crop ripens early summer. Autumn crop starts ripening in early September and continues through October. Fruit is large, fine flavored. Plants vigorous, productive. The best fall bearing raspberry. Will bear first year planted.

LATHAM—Red. Heavy producer of large, uniform, attractive, firm berries. Good shipping qualities. Excellent for canning.

**TAYLOR-Red, New.** Very high quality, attractive, firm. Plants are very vigorous, free from disease. Ripens a few days after Latham. Plants are very productive. Probably the best of all red berries.

**SODUS—Purple.** Strong, vigorous grower producing an abundance of large, delicious, deep purple berries which do not crumble, even when overripe. This is truly a wonderful berry.

CUMBERLAND-Black. Large, glossy, firm. Excellent quality, long bearing season. Early to mid-season.

BRISTOL—Black. Berries large, firm, fairly glossy, attractive and of excellent quality. Ripens a few days before Cumberland. Considered one of the best by New York State Experiment Station.

### BLACKBERRIES

**ELDORADO.** Regarded by many as being the hardiest and sweetest of blackberries. Berries large, jet black, formed in large clusters. Practically coreless.

Prices of all berry plants: strong 2 yr. transplants, bearing size, 12 for 1.50; 25 for 2.50; 100 for 7.50. (Postpaid at 12 and 25 rate, 100 rate not prepaid.)

For quick results plant our heavy two year transplants

### **STRAWBERRIES**

**DORSETT.** Introduced in 1933, Dorsett has steadily increased in popularity until it is now one of the leading varieties. Notable for its fine flavor and great beauty. It will respond to good treatment and will repay any effort put into cultivation.

**FAIRFAX.** Superlative quality, large size, firm, productive. Fairfax has an unusually long fruiting season. Excellent for the home garden or for shipping.

**PREMIER.** No variety ever introduced has received so much praise or been so widely grown. Adaptability, quality, flavor and frost-resistance are Premier features.

Prices of strong well-rooted plants: 25 for 85¢; 100 for \$1.90; (postpaid).

### EVERBEARING STRAWBERRIES

**MASTODON.** Vigorous growers, producing excellent quality fruit of rich flavor, better than many standard varieties. These berries crop so heavily that after the first season they require some fertilizer for best results. Plants set in the spring and budded and cultivated until mid-August will yield until freezing weather.

Prices of strong, thrifty plants: 25 for \$1.10; 100 for \$3.10; (postpaid).

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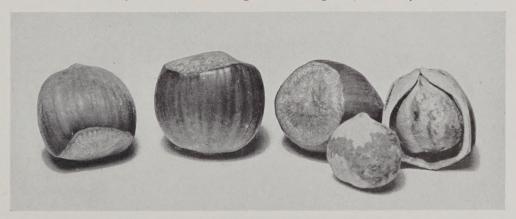
# NUT TREES FILBERTS

Filberts are easy to grow and will succeed wherever it is possible to grow peaches. The trees bear very young. Often nuts are produced the first year after planting. The trees do not grow large. Fully grown trees compare in size with a peach or plum tree. Trees in our small planting have been free from disease and have required no spraying. Filberts sucker freely and these must be cut out from the base of tree or a bush will result. Nuts are large from named varieties and have the best cracking quality of any nut. The kernel comes easily from the shell and is very tasty and of high food value. The kinds we have grown have been very productive and ripen their crop early before there is any danger of frosts. We recommend planting only named varieties as seedlings vary so much in productiveness and vigor that their value is questionable. It is a good plan to cultivate or mulch the trees each year.

IMPORTANT: Filberts will set few if any nuts when planted alone. Plant more than one variety to insure proper pollination.

**BARCELONA.** Nut very large, round, fine flavored. Tree very vigorous. Very productive. Nuts drop easily from husk. An important commercial variety in large plantings in Oregon. Ripens in early September.

Plant a few Nut Trees in the garden or along the fence this year.



Barcelona produced from trees in our garden, 1942

# NUT TREES - Filberts (continued)

**DUCHILLY** (Kentish Cob). Nut is large and long. Tree is upright in habit of growth and vigorous. Very productive. Nut cracks easily and very fine in quality. Ripens along with Barcelona.

**DAVIANA.** Nut medium to large. An excellent pollenizer for Barcelona. Tree smaller and slower growing than other kinds. Nuts excellent in quality.

Prices: 2 yr. transplants, 4 to 5 feet, each \$1.75; 3 for \$5.00; (not prepaid).

### ENGLISH WALNUTS

The variety offered here is grafted on Black Walnut roots. Trees propagated in this way are hardier, because they ripen their wood earlier in the fall. Also they bear earlier and are more productive. The grafted English Walnut can be grown successfully wherever it is possible to grow peaches or sweet cherries. Trees grow best on a soil that is neutral to alkaline.

**WILTZ MAYETTE.** The best English Walnut available to-day. An excellent quality diamond brand nut. Shell thin, kernel large, light colored, of excellent quality. Tree hardy and productive. With good care bears in third or fourth year. Single trees will produce good crops of nuts. No pollenizer required.



Ohio and Wiltz Mayette Walnuts

### **BLACK WALNUTS**

The Black Walnut is one of the most common forest trees and valuable both for its nuts and fine lumber. Nuts gathered from wild trees vary in cracking quality to the extent that it is impossible to get the meats from the shell in most cases.

The comparatively new grafted varieties have been selected for their large size, thin shells and excellent cracking qualities. While grafted varieties are more expensive because of the extra cost of grafting, they are well worth the extra cost because they bear earlier, are more productive and produce nuts of proven value.

**OHIO.** Tree very well shaped, growing into a lofty upright tree. Nut medium to large, shell thin, meats large, light colored, fine quality. One of the earliest bearing sorts.

**THOMAS.** Nut and kernel large and of best quality. A very rapid grower and well adapted to wide range of soils and climates. One of the best of all named varieties.

Single trees of Black Walnuts will produce well without cross pollination.

Prices of Black and English Walnuts, 3 to 4 feet, sturdy trees: each \$2.00; 3 for \$5.75; (not prepaid).

ORDER EARLY THIS YEAR. (See discounts for early orders, page 9.)

# HOW TO ORDER

Your questions answered to make ordering easier.

### 1. When can you ship nursery stock?

We can make shipments from November 1st to June 10th weather permitting. Our stock is stored in a specially constructed nursery storage cellar where plants are kept under the same conditions as if growing out-of-doors. This storage cellar is one of the finest and is a factor in the high quality and livability of our stock. We are always able to ship stock that is fresh and vigorous.

### 2. How shall I remit?

Remit by check, money order or we will ship C. O. D. if 25% of the total amount accompanies your order. We urge you to order early this year. On orders of less than \$1.00 add 25¢ to cover cost of packing.

### 3. What is the best way to have stock shipped?

For small orders of grapes, shrubs, berries, etc., parcel post is the cheapest and best. Larger orders which include fruit trees should be shipped by express. Bearing-age fruit trees cannot be shipped parcel post.

### 4. Do you allow discounts for early orders?

Yes. See page 9. WE ALSO PAY EXPRESS CHARGES on all orders totaling \$20.00 or more when ordered at catalog prices.

### 5. Will plants be packed to arrive in good condition?

Yes. We take special care in packing plants and trees. First of all each variety is labeled with a wooden tag, then packed in damp moss, and wrapped with a waterproofed paper so the roots will not become dry in transit. You can be sure that your plants will arrive in the best of condition ready to start growing.

### 6. Where are your nurseries located?

Our post office address is Naples, N. Y. Our nursery and vineyards are above Seneca Point on the west shore of Canandaigua Lake. This is about midway between Naples and Canandaigua on Route 21.

### 7. What are the advantages in buying direct from the grower?

In as much as we are growers of nursery stock besides being engaged in growing fruit commercially, we are in a position to supply stock of better quality. We know from actual experience which varieties and types of plants are best suited to your individual requirements.

### 8. Is your stock true-to-name?

We guarantee all of the nursery stock sold by us to be true-to-name and will replace free of charge any tree or plant that proves otherwise. At no time will we be responsible for any sum greater than that paid for stock.

### 9. Do you invite correspondence?

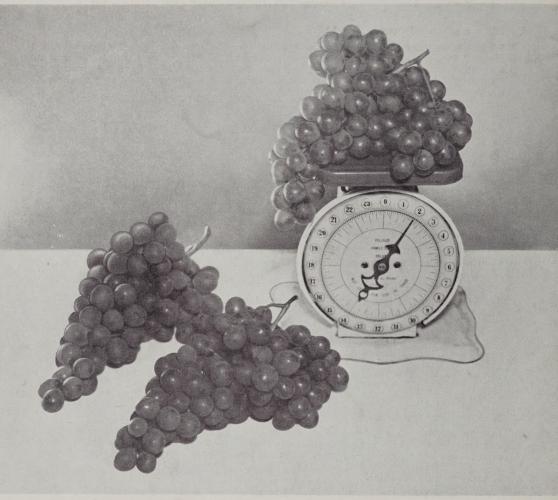
Yes. While we are more than busy during shipping season we like to have you write us about your problems. It helps us get acquainted. We are always glad to give you the benefit of our knowledge of fruit growing, gained in many years' experience. Please feel free to write at any time,

### 10. Do you replace stock that fails to grow?

We will replace stock that fails to grow at one-half the purchase price providing you notify us before November 1st, 1943. Replacements after June 1st of the spring planting season are not advisable.

### Our References:

Canandaigua National Bank & Trust Co., Canandaigua, N. Y. New York State Experiment Station, Geneva, N. Y.



Clusters of Golden Muscat picked from our bearing vineyards, fall 1942

### FIVE REASONS WHY THIS VARIETY IS SO UNIVERSALLY POPULAR:

- 1. FRUIT IS OF HIGH QUALITY.
- 2. CLUSTERS ARE EXTRA LARGE AND ATTRACTIVE.
- 3. PRODUCES BIG CROPS OF FRUIT.
- 4. VIGOROUS AND RAPID GROWER.
- 5. HARDY IN COLD WINTERS.

(See page 5 for full description.)

PRICES POSTPAID AT EACH AND 10 RATES Strong 2 year vines: each  $65\phi$ ; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.90; 100 for \$35.00.

# J. E. MILLER NURSERIES, NAPLES, NEW YORK

Located in one of the Nation's great fruit producing areas, The New York Finger Lakes Region